

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7930

ANSWERED ON:17.05.2000

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN INDIA AND AFGHAN

ABDUL HAMID;RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Afghan Government has made any request to India for the establishment of diplomatic relations with it; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) India recognises the Government of President Burhanuddin Rabbani as the legitimate government of Afghanistan and has full fledged diplomatic relations with the Islamic State of Afghanistan.